

**DECLARATION OR OATH**

- ☒ Enclosed executed by (check all applicable boxes):
- ☒ Inventor(s).
  - ☐ legal representative of inventor(s). 37 CFR 1.42 or 1.43.
  - ☐ joint inventor or person showing a proprietary interest on behalf of inventor who refused to sign or cannot be reached.
  - ☐ This is the petition required by 37 CFR 1.47 and the statement required by 37 CFR 1.47 is also attached. See item 13 below for fee.
- ☐ Not Enclosed.

**LANGUAGE**

- ☒ English
- ☐ Non-English. Verified English translation is attached. 37CFR1.52(d)

**ASSIGNMENT**

- ☐ An assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_ is attached.
- ☐ A separate "Cover Sheet for Assignment (Document) Accompanying New Patent Application" is also attached.
  - ☐ Form PTO 1595 is also attached.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Stealth Dump Trucks, Inc. will follow.

*NOTE: "If an assignment is submitted with a new application, send two separate letters-one for the application and one for the assignment." Notice of May 4, 1990 (1114 O.G. 77-78).*

**CERTIFIED COPY**

Certified copy(ies) of application(s)

(Country)	(Appln. no.)	(Filed)
from which priority is claimed		
<input type="checkbox"/> is (are) attached.		
<input type="checkbox"/> will follow.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Does not apply.		

**SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. (37 C.F.R. 1.27)

# FEE CALCULATION (37 CFR 1.16) FOR REGULAR UTILITY APPLICATION

Utility filing fee \$385.00 (Small entity fee) Subtotal (1)

Claims:

		Extra		Fee (small entity)	Fee Paid
Total Claims	<u>43</u> - 20 =	23	X	\$9.00	\$ 207.00
Independent					
Claims	<u>3</u> - 3 =	0	X	\$43.00	\$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent claims		0	X	\$145.00	\$ 0.00

**Total Fee: \$592.00** (Subtotal (1) + Subtotal (2))      **Subtotal (2) \$ 207.00**

## FEE PAYMENT BEING MADE AT THIS TIME

- ☐ Not Enclosed
- ☐ No filing fee is to be paid at this time. (*This and the surcharge required by 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) can be paid subsequently.*)
- ☒ Enclosed
- ☒ Basic filing fee \$592.00
- ☐ Recording assignment
- ☐ (See attached "Cover Sheet for Assignment Accompanying New Application.")
- ☐ Petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person on behalf of the inventor where inventor refused to sign or cannot be reached.
- ☐ For processing an application with a specification in a non-English language.
- ☐ Processing and retention fee.
- ☐ Fee for international-type search report.


Total Fees enclosed \$592.00.

## METHOD AND PAYMENT OF FEES

- ☒ A check made payable to the Commissioner for Patents for the sum of \$592.00 is enclosed.

## INSTRUCTIONS AS TO OVERPAYMENT

- ☒ Refund

  
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## STATEMENT WHERE NO FURTHER PAGES ADDED

- ☒ This transmittal ends with this page.

Docket No.: ET194-1

PATENT APPLICATION

**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

(ORIGINAL, DESIGN, NATIONAL STAGE OF PCT, SUPPLEMENTAL, DIVISIONAL, CONTINUATION OR CIP)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

**TYPE OF DECLARATION**

This declaration is of the following type: (check one applicable item below)

- ☒ original.
- ☐ design.
- ☐ supplemental.
- ☐ national stage of PCT.
- ☐ divisional.
- ☐ continuation.
- ☐ continuation-in-part (CIP).

**INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION**

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**TITLE OF INVENTION**

**VEHICLE DUMP BODY ELEVATION DEVICE, KIT, AND  
METHOD RELATING THERETO**

**SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION**

the specification of which:

- ☒ is attached hereto.
- ☐ was filed on: \_\_\_\_\_, as Serial No.: \_\_\_\_\_ or Express Mail No.: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ or \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).
- ☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No.: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ filed on : \_\_\_\_\_ and amended under PCT Article 19 on : \_\_\_\_\_ (if any).

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56, and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent.

☒ In compliance with this duty, attached is an information disclosure statement (37 CFR 1.98).

### PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. SECTIONS 119(a) - (d))

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Sections 119 (a) - (d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

☒ no such applications have been filed  
☐ such applications have been filed as follows:

PRIOR FOREIGN/PCT APPLICATION(S), FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS  
(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS APPLICATION  
AND ANY PRIORITY CLAIMS UNDER 35 USC SECTION 119 (a) - (d)

COUNTRY (OR INDICATE IF PCT)	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (DAY, MONTH, YEAR)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC 119
			Yes No
			Yes No

### CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S) (35 U.S.C. Section 119 (e))

☐ I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

PROVISIONAL APPLICATION NUMBER

FILING DATE

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER US/PCT APPLICATION(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. Section 120**

- I hereby claim the benefit, under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120, of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in that/those prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56 and that is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, that occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application. (37 C.F.R. 1.63(e)).
- In compliance with this duty, there is attached an information disclosure statement, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98.

**PRIOR U.S. APPLICATIONS OR PCT INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS  
DESIGNATING THE U.S. FOR BENEFIT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 120:**

U.S. APPLICATIONS		STATUS	
U.S. Serial No.	U.S. Filing Date	Patented	Pending

PCT Applications Designating the U.S.		
PCT Application No.	PCT Filing Date	U.S. Application Nos. Assigned (if any)

**ALL FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY, FILED MORE THAN 12 MONTHS  
(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS U.S. APPLICATION**

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### POWER OF ATTORNEY

I hereby appoint the following practitioner(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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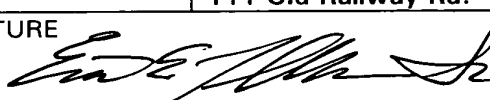
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### DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

### SIGNATURE(S)

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SIGNATURE 	DATE <b>April 8, 2004</b>		

☒ THIS DECLARATION ENDS WITH THIS PAGE.